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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 09/440,277

Group Art Unit: 1754

Application of: Chen et al.

Examiner: M. Medina  
(703) 305-1928

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For: PROCESS FOR REMOVING  
UNREACTED AMMONIA FROM  
AN EFFLUENT IN A HYDROCARBON  
AMMOXIDATION REACTION

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's January 8, 2003 Office Action (final), applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and that the application be considered in light of the following remarks.

Submitted herewith are: (1) Appendix A, which is a marked-up copy of the amendments made to the claims; and (2) Appendix B, which is a complete set of all the pending claims as currently proposed to be amended. Claim amendments are shown in boldface for convenience of reference.